

GENERAL INFORMATION

Lead Area:	Rugby Operations
Lead Policy Title:	Hot Weather
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SCOPE OF RESPONSIBILITY

- This procedure is to be followed by all Clubs Registrars when registering a Player on an annual basis.

STEP BY STEP PROCEDURES

- Procedure for Registration of Players

Step	Description of action	Responsible
1	Where the forecast temperature for the day scheduled for a Match is predicted by the Bureau of Meteorology to exceed 34 degrees the appointed Referee must telephone the Bureau of Meteorology (1900 926 120) 1 hour prior to the time scheduled for the Commencement of Match.	Referee
2	Where: a) the Match is scheduled to be played at: <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Bailey Res (Southern Suburbs RUFC); • Brighton Oval (Brighton RUFC); • Gleneagles Reserve (Woodville RUFC); • Port Adelaide (Port Adelaide RUFC), the Adelaide Airport reading taken by the Bureau of Meteorology will be used; b) the Match is scheduled to be played at: <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Dry Creek (North Torrens RUFC); • Roseworthy (Roseworthy RUFC); • Womma Rd (Elizabeth RUFC), the Elizabeth reading taken by the Bureau of Meteorology will be used; c) the Match is scheduled to be played at: <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Parkinson (Burnside RUFC); • Tregenza (Old Collegians RUFC); • Waite Oval (Adelaide University RUFC), the Kent Town reading taken by the Bureau of Meteorology will be used;	Referee

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	d) the Match is scheduled to be played at Onkaparinga (Onkaparinga RUFC) the Noarlunga reading taken by the Bureau of Meteorology will be used.	
3	<p>Where the temperature according to the appropriate Bureau of Meteorology reading exceeds 35 degrees the following Match management process will apply:</p> <p>a) the Referee must inform the Team manager, the designated captain and the officials of each Team:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • of the relevant reading; • that the Match will be played in two halves of 30 minutes with a drink break of 15 minutes between each half; • that after 15 minutes of play in each half there will be a drink break not to exceed 2 minutes; <p>b) the captain of each Team will inform the other Players of the heat management strategy;</p> <p>c) the Trainers must prepare for the treatment of Players affected by the heat or who may become dehydrated;</p> <p>d) during the half time break each Team must move to an area in full shade; and</p> <p>e) during the 2 minute drinks break the Team manager, officials and coach must not address or direct the Team.</p>	Referee / Captain / Trainer / Team manager / Coach

OTHER INFORMATION

- Should the Referee at any time feel uncomfortable with the Match proceeding due to the temperature they may call a break in play and, after consultation with the Union, postpone the Match to be played at another time to be set by the Union.

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